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Thank you for attending the public information open house for Cobb County Department of Transportation (DOT) Project E4010 (Georgia DOT PI No. 0010157), the proposed Busbee-Frey Connector project (also known as the Skip Spann Connector). In this handout package, you will find a project description, project location map, and a comment card.

As you enter the room, you will notice displays of the proposed project. Cobb County DOT representatives, who can be identified by their nametags, are available to discuss the project as well as answer any questions you may have associated with the project. Please take this opportunity to discuss the proposed project with a DOT representative. There will be no formal presentation.

You may complete a comment card and deposit it into the box provided here or send in written comments about the project until June 7, 2012. Written comments should be sent to Mr. Mike Wright, District 1 Engineer, Cobb County Department of Transportation, 1890 County Services Parkway Marietta, Georgia 30008. Comments can also be sent electronically via e-mail to michael.wright@cobbcounty.org. All comments will be made a part of the project record. We hope you will take advantage of one of these opportunities to let the DOT know your view of the proposal.

The displays and plans will be available for review for 10 days after the public information open house at the Cobb County DOT office, located at 1890 County Services Parkway Marietta, Georgia 30008. They can also be viewed at the Cobb County DOT website at <http://dot.cobbcountyga.gov/public-meeting.htm>. A copy of all comments received will be available for public review at the Cobb County Department of Transportation located at 1890 County Services Parkway Marietta, Georgia 30008 and at the Georgia Department of Transportation, Office of Environmental Services, 600 West Peachtree Street NW, 16th Floor, Atlanta, Georgia 30308, as soon as compilation is completed.

Again, thank you for attending this public information open house and for giving us your comments. If you should have any questions or need additional information, feel free to contact the project manager Mr. Mike Wright, P.E., Cobb County District 1 Engineer at 770-528-4375.

Sincerely,



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Director

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**Cobb County Department of Transportation
Public Information Open House**

**Busbee Drive/Frey Road Connector (a.k.a. Skip Spann Connector)
Project No. E4010; GDOT PI No. 0010157
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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The project consists of the construction of a 0.5-mile new connector road (hereafter called the Busbee-Frey Connector) over Interstate 75 (I-75) between Frey Road and Busbee Drive (see Figure 1). The primary purpose of this project is to provide traffic relief on Chastain Road in the vicinity of the I-75 interchange, which would improve operations along Chastain Road. As a secondary benefit, the project would also provide access to and connectivity around the Kennesaw State University (KSU) campus and surrounding residential and commercial areas.

Townpark Lane at its existing intersection with Busbee Drive would be relocated northward to form a new intersection with Busbee Drive, and the proposed Busbee-Frey Connector would be constructed from this new intersection westward onto a new location, over I-75, ending at a new intersection with Frey Road at the KSU parking deck (at a relocated parking deck entrance). The proposed Busbee-Frey Connector would consist of four 12-foot travel lanes (two in each direction); a 20-foot, raised, concrete median; 12-foot right- and left-turn lanes at Frey Road and Busbee Drive; and 17.5-foot shoulders (including 10-foot sidewalks, a 2-foot grass strip, and curb and gutter). The proposed right-of-way (ROW) along the new Busbee-Frey Connector would be approximately 103 feet.

Approaching the relocated intersection of Busbee Drive/Townpark Lane, Busbee Drive would be restriped and reconstructed to provide one through lane, one left-turn lane, and one right-turn lane in both the northbound and southbound directions. An additional left-turn lane would also be added at the intersection of Busbee Drive and Chastain Road.

The existing KSU parking deck entrance on the west side of Frey Road in the area of the proposed Connector would be obliterated; however, the existing surface parking lot entrance across the street (east side) would remain open as a right-in, right-out entrance after project construction. A new intersection would be created at the KSU parking deck entrance (west side of Frey Road) at the proposed Busbee-Frey Connector.

In addition, median-separated, right-turn lanes would be constructed from Busbee Drive (southbound) onto the I-75 northbound on-ramp at Chastain Road and from the I-75 southbound off-ramp onto Frey Road (northbound). These separate right-turn lanes would allow traffic to connect directly between the interstate and Frey Road and Busbee Drive and the interstate without merging into and impeding traffic on Chastain Road.

Additionally, as part of this project, two new traffic signals are proposed and would be located at the relocated Busbee Drive/Townpark Lane intersection and at the Busbee Drive/Busbee Parkway intersection. The existing signal at the KSU surface parking lot would be relocated north to the intersection of the new KSU parking deck entrance with the new Busbee-Frey Connector.